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ATIC [REDACTED] Analysis of CAMEL/TU-104, dated 30 August 1957, Review of

REF: AFICIN-4F2c letter (undated) subject, Content of ATIC Technical Studies

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1. The referenced letter requested that recipients (of [REDACTED]) review the subject study for content. I/AR views are expressed herein and forwarded to St/I/R for compilation with other ORR evaluations of this study.

2. I/AR has found the study to be complete and presented in a usable form. The data included in Appendix I, CAMEL Data and Characteristics Sheets have been used in making estimations of production. The information presented in Section V, Electronics, Equipment and Instrumentation was used in computing the cost of the aircraft.

3. The intelligence chronology of the aircraft, included in the introduction, is considered to be of great value as a ready reference or working aid.

4. The only criticism offered here concerns the timeliness of the study. CAMEL was first sighted during the 3 July 1955 Soviet Aviation Day airshow at Moscow/Tushino airfield. The next sighting occurred on 22 March 1956 when it arrived in London, England, and later on three CAMELS completed a total of eleven round trips between Moscow and London in the 10 day period between 18 and 27 April 1956. It is suggested that a preliminary report could have been published (because of these sightings) in the summer or fall of 1956 which would have been more timely.

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